the ground floor flat, as an experimental measure, was found to improve the availability of water to the allottees of the flats on the upper storeys.

(d) The estimated expenditure on provision of separate water connection to the ground floor in Block 9 of Albert Square as an experimental measure is about Rs. 20,000/-. There is no proposal to provide separate water tanks to other storeys in Block 9 and they will continue to draw water from the common tank.

Electoral symbols on ballot papers

755. SHRI SHIV CHARAN SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal under their consideration to replace electoral symbols on ballot papers with photographs of the contesting candidates; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H.R. BHARADWAJ): (a) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Mescos Airlines helicopter services

756. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Mescos Airlines operates helicopter services between Bombay and Goa;

(b) if so, whether the company has been accorded permission to land their chopper in Bombay at a spot which was out of bounds even to the public sector company, Pawan Hans;

(c) whether the Mescos Airlines have cleared all the landing charges to be paid to Government;

(d) if not, the details thereof;

(e) whether the CBI has questioned the DGCA on account of the activities of the company; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) Does not arise.

Licences issued for setting up sugar units

757. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH :
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of applications cleared for setting up of new sugar units and for capacity addition during the years 1994, 1995 and so far and 1996;

(b) the target set for issuing licences during the Eighth Five Year Plan;

(c) whether Government have exhausted the limit for the Eighth plan and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of letters of intent so far issued and by when the new sugar units are likely to commence commercial production during the Ninth Plan period; and

(e) the reasons for the grant of such licences on the eve of the General Elections?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DR. C. SILVERA) : (a) The following Statement gives details of Letters of